felf in favour of the freedom and independence thereof, shall be com- CHAP. pelled by the enemy to leave his habitation, and be thereby rendered incapable to carry on his business or occupation, or hath lost his negroes by means of the enemy, or otherwise greatly suffered, the commissioners of the tax may, in their discretion, direct the collectors to suspend the collection of the assessment, or any part thereof they may think proper, from such person, until the general assembly shall take order therein; and the commissioners are required to return to the general affembly a lift of such suspensions, and the causes and proofs for which the same were made.

IV. And be it enacted, That five sensible, discreet, and experienced Five commispersons, shall be appointed in each county of this state, who shall be appointed, called commissioners of the tax, and they, or any three or more of &c. them, shall be the commissioners for each county.

V. And be it chafted, That no member of the general assembly, or who are inethe council, clergyman, practifing actorney or physician, sheriff, co-missioners, roner, clerk of the general or any county court, ordinary keeper, ma- &c. riner, or inspector, shall be appointed a commissioner or assessor.

VI. And be it enacted, That the following persons shall be and are Names of the hereby appointed commissioners for the several and respective counties ers. of this state, to wit: St. Mary's county, Messieurs Ignatius Fenwick, Thomas Bond, Robert Watts, James Jordan, and John de Butts. Kent county, Messieurs James M'Lane, James Pearce, Isaac Freeman, Robert Crookshanks, and Edward Worrell. Anne-A. undel, Messieurs Thomas Dorsey, John Weems, Richard Harwood, junior, Thomas Watkins, and Charles Wallace. For Calvert county, Messieurs Samuel Hance, Alexander Somerville, Daniel Rawlings, Thomas Blake, and Edward Reynolds. For Charles county, Meffieurs Josias Hawkins, Richard Barnes, Thomas Harris, Robert Young, and Zephaniah Turner. For Somerset county, Messieurs John Adams, Levin Wilson, William Gillis, John Stewart, and Gillis Polk. For Talbot county, Messieurs Thomas Sherwood, Howes Goldsborough, Samuel Chamberlaine, Peregrine Tilghman, and William Perry. For Dorchester county, Messieurs Robert Harrison, William Ennalls, Thomas Ennalls, Blackwater, Archibald Patison, and Thomas Firman Eccleston. For Baltimore county, Messieurs Andrew Buchanan, Archibald Buchanan, John Moale, William Spear, and James Gittings. For Cæcil county, Messieurs John Dockery Thompson, Thomas Savin, William Rowland, Sidney George, and Samuel Gilpin. For Prince-George's county, Messieurs William Beanes, William Bowie, Nathaniel Magruder, Edward Sprigg, and John Contee. For Queen-Anne's county, Messieurs Henry Nicholls, Aquila Brown, Thomas Fitsimond, Arthur Emory of Arthur, and Richard Tilghman the fourth. For Worcester county, Messieurs Thomas Martin, John Selby, Thomas Purnell of Thomas, James Martin, and William Handy, Indian-town. For Frederick county, Messieurs Normand Bruce, John Lawrence, John Adlim, George Scott, and Henry Darnall. For Harford county, Messieurs Thomas Johnson, William M'Comas of Daniel, John Rumiey, Francis Holland, and William Wilson, junior. For Caroline county, Meisieurs Thomas Goldsborough, Thomas Hardcastle, Robert Postlewaitt, William Douglass, and David Woolfield. For Washing-